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CHANGES AT W. & M. Board Creates Department.

Besides abolishing the office of steward at William and Mary and leasing out the boarding department, which is considered a radical departure, if not revolutionary, on the part of a body that has heretofore been looked upon as ultraconservative, the board of visitors at their meeting here last week made some other changes even more radical than the first mentioned. But radical as they may appear, they bear every indication of progress, and that the William and Mary board of visitors has become progressive is encouraging to the lovers of the oldest, and which by every reason ought to be, the leading college in the state. We refer to separation of those below the collegiate grade into what is practically a different school, thus differentiating between the collegiate and non-collegiate.

The plan of collecting all the students below the collegiate grade was recommended to the board by a special committee appointed for the purpose. This is practically creating a new department that might properly be called the William and Mary Academy. It will be designated as the Normal Academic Course, and will be in charge of two professors who were elected by the board at a salary of \$1200 each. They are Messrs. R. C. Young and W. A. Bloxton.

The action of the board in deferring the election of the college physician, and physical director, means that two other officials, Dr. Hankins and Prof. F. M. Crawford, will probably lose their positions. The object is to have a physician and physical director, who shall also be coach, as this is in line with other institutions. The salary will be combined in this case and the position filled by one man.

Prof. H. L. Bridges was elected superintendent of grounds and buildings with a salary of \$10 per month in addition to his present salary.

The abolishing of the kindergarten has long been considered advisable. It cost the college something like \$1500 per year to maintain. Some kindergarten work will be done at the Model School under direction of Miss Davis. This change will mean that children under school age (7 years) will not be admitted. This will be sad news to Williamsburg parents, unless the city school board establishes a kindergarten in connection with the public school.

There will probably be other changes made in the management of the institution before the end of another year which may affect one or more officers. The plan of the board is to reduce cost and increase efficiency.

Those officers who have lost their positions just happened to come in the way of the intrenchment movement, as there were no complaints or dissatisfaction with their services.

The directors of the Bank of Williamsburg have declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent. on its capital stock, which shows its prosperity.

DEGREES AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

William and Mary Men Who Carried off Honors.

The following young gentlemen were awarded degrees at William and Mary at the close of the session last Thursday:

Teacher's Diploma—Agee, Kenneth Arnold, Blackwell, Herbert Hatchett, Graves, Frank Erskin, Leatherbury, Alfred Parker, Montgomery, Samuel Joseph, Prillman, Rufus Alkanah, Warburton, Robert Clarence.

Bachelors of Science—Fletcher, Howell Harris, Graves, Frank Erskin, Thoms, Alvin Lewis, Warner, Selden Richard.

Bachelors of Arts—Agee, Kenneth Arnold, Capps, John Edgar, Graves, Frank Erskin, Howe, Arthur Sylvester, Newton, Blake Tyler, Trimble, Harry Evans, Blaxton, William Ashby.

Masters of Arts—Fletcher Howell Harris, Koontz, Amos Ralph.

The following scholarships were awarded: Soutter, to A. F. English, of Pennsylvania; Chancellor, to J. E. Pool, of Portsmouth; Graves, to Abraham Brodowsky, of New York; Corcoran, to Charles R. Bagley, of North Carolina; Philo Bennett, to John H. Wright, of Richmond. The Pi Kappa Alpha scholarship, given for the best translation, was awarded to A. F. English, of Pennsylvania. The James Barron Hopescholarship, for the best poetical contribution to the William and Mary Literary Magazine, was awarded to Martin Feinstein, of New York. The prize for the best prose contribution to the Literary Magazine was awarded to Earl B. Thomas, of New York.

Candidates Come to Town.

Dr. Stephenson and Mr. Madison, candidates for the House of Delegates were in town attending court Monday. Mr. Madison was anxious to make a speech to tell them all about it, but there was no one to talk to.

The legislative campaign is not exciting. Mr. Madison is making a house to house search for votes. Dr. Stephenson is too busy to be away much of his time and must rely on the loyalty of his friends and he has plenty of them. His friends say he will carry every county in the district save Warwick, which will be close.

The Origin of the Fire.

Williamsburg, Va., June 12. Editor The Gazette:

Please permit us to correct a misapprehension regarding the burning of our mill. As to the origin of the fire, it caught from the heat of the exhaust pipe in the chared timbers of the engine room floor. The occasion was in defective installation. I was around the engine about two minutes before the flames burst out, and again went into the room as the flames caught, but with the oil about the floor the flames spread so rapidly that I could do nothing to check them. An alarm was sent in to central at once. All that could be done was to protect the adjoining buildings, several of which caught fire.

As to the loss it is shared between Capt. E. W. Maynard and Pitman & Son & Co. The loss of Pitman & Son was between \$1,500 and \$2,000. L. C. Pitman losing many valuable tools. There was no insurance.

F. W. T. Pitman.

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To Elect Senators by People.

Washington, June 12—The Senate tonight, by a vote of 64 to 24, passed the resolution amending the constitution to provide for election of senators by direct popular vote. The Bristow amendment, giving to the Federal government supervision of such elections, was adopted. 44 to 44, Vice-President Sherman casting the deciding ballot. The House already has passed the resolution.

Senator Reed, of Missouri, protested against the vice-president casting the deciding vote.

An amendment by Senator Bacon qualifying the Bristow amendment to prohibit Federal supervision of election unless the State Legislatures refuse or fail to act, was defeated, 46 to 43. The resolution as amended was then finally adopted.

Still Challenging Martin.

In the course of a ringing address at King William Courthouse, Hon. W. A. Jones again threw down the gauntlet to Hon. T. S. Martin. Mr. Jones said:

"I challenge any follower of Senator Martin in this audience to name a single thing which Senator Martin has done for the First district. I await a reply."

"There sits before me Hon. G. B. Swift, who is a follower of Senator Martin and who was at one time one of his secretaries. I ask Mr. Swift to name one thing which Senator Martin has ever done for the First district." There came no response. Continuing, Congressman Jones said:

"I have made charges against Senator Martin's public record since my Newport News speech, and if they are not true, I ask you in all earnestness, why he does not deny them?"

They are all true. I do not make a charge I cannot substantiate. And I challenge Senator Martin to meet me in joint debate at any time or place, and he can name the terms of debate. If he does, he will meet me but once, and I will prove every charge I have made concerning his public record."

At the conclusion of the address, which was a long one, Mr. Granville R. Swift approached Mr. Jones and resented being singled out in his speech. Mr. Jones assured Mr. Swift that he had intended no personal affront, but said that he had nothing to retract.

Funeral of Mrs. Scott.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth L. Scott took place last Saturday morning from the home of Mrs. Margaret Hansford on Palace Green and was largely attended. The services were conducted by the Rev. E. Ruffin Jones, of Bruton Parish church, and the following gentlemen acted as pallbearers:

Active—Messrs. Hugh S. Bird, Spencer Lane, D. A. Powers, F. M. Grawford, N. L. Henley and Prof. W. G. Jones. Honorary—Prof. T. J. Stubbs, Capt. L. W. Lane, Dr. Lyon G. Tyler, Mr. H. D. Cole Mr. T. G. Peechy and Mr. J. B. C. Spencer.

The floral tributes were beautiful and profuse, coming from friends here and out-of-town. The body was laid to rest between the graves of her husband, Benjamin S. Scott, and her father, Col. Benjamin S. Ewell, in the college cemetery.

Mr. W. L. Hunt, of Norge, was in Charles City county last Friday where he went to inspect some saw mill machinery. Mr. Hunt will cut the timber on "Bonsall's," James City, having bought the same from Bozarth & Warburton.

Fire Burns a Mill

The large three-story frame building belonging to Capt. E. W. Maynard and occupied by Pitman and Son as a grist mill, was totally destroyed by fire last Friday evening. The fire department turned out, but could do nothing except to protect adjacent buildings. The loss was complete, there not being a dollar of insurance on either building or machinery. The machinery belonged to Pitman & Son, who estimate their loss at from \$1500 to \$2000. The building was probably worth a thousand dollars.

The fire originated from an overheated exhaust pipe in the engine room. So rapid did the flames spread that practically nothing was saved. The loss falls very heavily upon Pitman & Son. Capt. Maynard, who is by far the largest property owner in Williamsburg, suffered another loss a year ago on which he had no insurance. All the rest of his property is insured and it seemed the irony of fate that only his uninsured buildings were destroyed in both cases.

The Origin of Rocks.

The geologist divides rocks into three general classes—igneous rocks, originating from the molten magma forces upward from the bowels of the earth, such as granite and the various lavas; sedimentary rocks, consisting of disintegrated particles of the igneous rocks which have been reformed into rocks themselves, such as sandstone; and metamorphic rocks, consisting of igneous or sedimentary rocks whose composition has been greatly changed by intense heat, chemical action, or other causes, as for instance, a limestone that has been changed to marble.

Sedimentary rocks, as stated in the geologic atlas of the United States Geological Survey, are usually made up of layers or beds which can be easily separated. These layers are called strata and rocks deposited in such layers are termed stratified. The surface of the earth is not immovable; over wide regions it very slowly rises or sinks with reference to the sea, and shore lines are thereby changed. As a result of upward movement marine sedimentary rocks may become part of the land, and most of our land areas are in fact occupied by rocks originally deposited as sediments in the sea.

Sandstone is perhaps the simplest example of a sedimentary rock. Obviously sandstone was once sand, and again each grain of sand was once a part of some older rock. This sand was first eroded and then deposited and either subjected to great pressure by overlying masses perhaps thousands of feet thick or cemented together by chemical solutions. Where the stone was formed by simple pressure it contains a large proportion of open spaces and thus becomes an ideal water bearer. Some sandstones will carry as much as 6 quarts of water to the cubic foot of stone. In other varieties the interstices may have been filled with cementing material so that the rock may be for all practical purposes almost as dense as granite.

A forest fire visited the Toano neighborhood last week and burned 250 cords of wood belonging to Mr. R. H. Slater. He had about 600 cords, which was in charge of his brother, Mr. R. B. Slater. There was no insurance. But for the hard fighting done by neighbors, practically the whole cutting would have gone.

5 or 6 doses "666" will cure any case of Chills and Fever. Price, 25c.

CIRCUIT COURT IN SESSION.

No Jury Summoned and Little Business Transacted.

The June term of the circuit court will go down in history as one of the shortest terms held here for many months. Judge Tyler convened court Monday. He had no occasion to have either a grand jury or a petit jury, a very unusual situation, but one that must have been very pleasant to the court officials.

Judge Tyler ordered the establishing of another voting precinct in Powhatan district, to be known as Precinct No. 2. It will be located near Mr. J. C. Warburton's, at the school house, and will be a great convenience to the voters along the James. Under the old arrangement, some voters would have to drive to Toano and return, a distance of 32 miles, in order to exercise the right of suffrage. After hearing the statements of voters and consulting the petitions asking for the new precinct, the court entered the order, which will be gratifying to all concerned.

Among the county people and they were fewer than we have seen for some time at court, were Messrs. R. B. Geddy, R. B. Slater, Carter Cowles, C. P. Marston, W. W. Ware, Capt. J. W. Minor, J. W. Minor, Jr., A. G. Harwood.

The only visiting attorneys were Judge Smith, of Yorktown, and Fred Hubbard, of Toano.

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Electoral Board Meets.

The James City electoral board met here Monday, those present being Messrs. A. G. Harwood, chairman, Capt. J. W. Minor, secretary, and R. B. Geddy. The object of the meeting was to appoint the judges and clerks of election, and registrars. The following were chosen:

Registrars—Stonehouse, W. C. Martin, Jamestown No. 1, Clarence Lee, No. 2, C. F. Ayers. Powhatan, No. 1, R. V. Timberlake; No. 2, J. M. Richardson.

Judges and Clerks—Jamestown No. 1, T. H. Stryker, T. N. Curtis and A. D. West, judges; clerks, W. B. Wynne, R. J. Wynne. No. 2, H. N. Bucktrout, W. R. Thomas and H. C. Wilson, judges; clerks, George E. Waltrip, R. H. Gilliam.

Powhatan No. 1, John Manning, A. W. Martin and J. L. Trosvig, judges; clerks, Vernon Piggott, G. A. Marston. No. 2, D. W. Spencer, J. C. Warburton and E. W. Marston, judges; clerks, J. W. Minor, Jr., and J. C. Yeabower.

Stonehouse—A. W. Jennings, G. G. Hankins and W. K. Tyssen, judges; clerks, T. N. Marston, and W. E. Hankins.

Commissioners of election, A. D. West, H. N. Bucktrout, G. G. Hankins, A. W. Martin and D. W. Spencer.

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Fresh stock of Paris Green at Stone's drugstore.

RESTORATION WINS OUT. Committee Will Rebuild.

Pursuant to adjournment, the joint committee, which is composed of the city council and the James City board of supervisors, met here last Friday to take final action on the proposition to restore the old courthouse or build a new one. The expected happened and the old courthouse will be restored just as it was before fire destroyed the historic structure early on the morning of April 6. Those present were Messrs. John Barnes, William Lee and Warren Marston, board of supervisors, and Capt. Lane, Messrs. Cole, Jones, Spencer and Wolfe of the city council. Mr. Lee was the joint chairman.

After canvassing the vote as shown by the petitions carried around for signatures, the result was announced as follows:

For restoration.....298
For restoration and addition.... 10
For a new building..... 27

This vote gave the proposition to restore a clear majority of 261, which ought to be heavy enough for the most exacting.

Mr. Cole, of the council, then offered the following which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved That we restore the old courthouse with improvements mentioned by the architects, and that the matter of advertising for erection of same and all matters pertaining to its building be referred back to the building committee appointed by this joint board at a previous meeting.

The secretary of the committee was directed to advertise for bids in The Gazette and Daily Press of June 15 and 22. Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check of \$500 and the committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids offered. Bids must be filed with Clerk T. H. Geddy by June 26, at 10 a. m. Plans and specifications may be seen at the clerk's office in Williamsburg.

Another Big Egg Record.

All the records for mammoth eggs have been smashed and smashed right by J. W. Austin, or more strictly speaking, by Mr. Austin's hen of the Plymouth Rock strain. The monster egg produced by the Austin hen weighed just 534 ounces, and measured 8 inches one way and 9 the other, which gives some idea of its immensity. The irony of it was that Dr. Stone, who also holds a record for "some" eggs weighed this newest monstrosity, and had to admit that his fruit was not in it.

Mr. Austin is very proud of the feat of the big Plymouth Rock, which he says weighs ten pounds, and is so fat she cannot get on the roost. He is carrying the egg around in his pocket and if you doubt his story, ask him to show the proof of his claim.

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